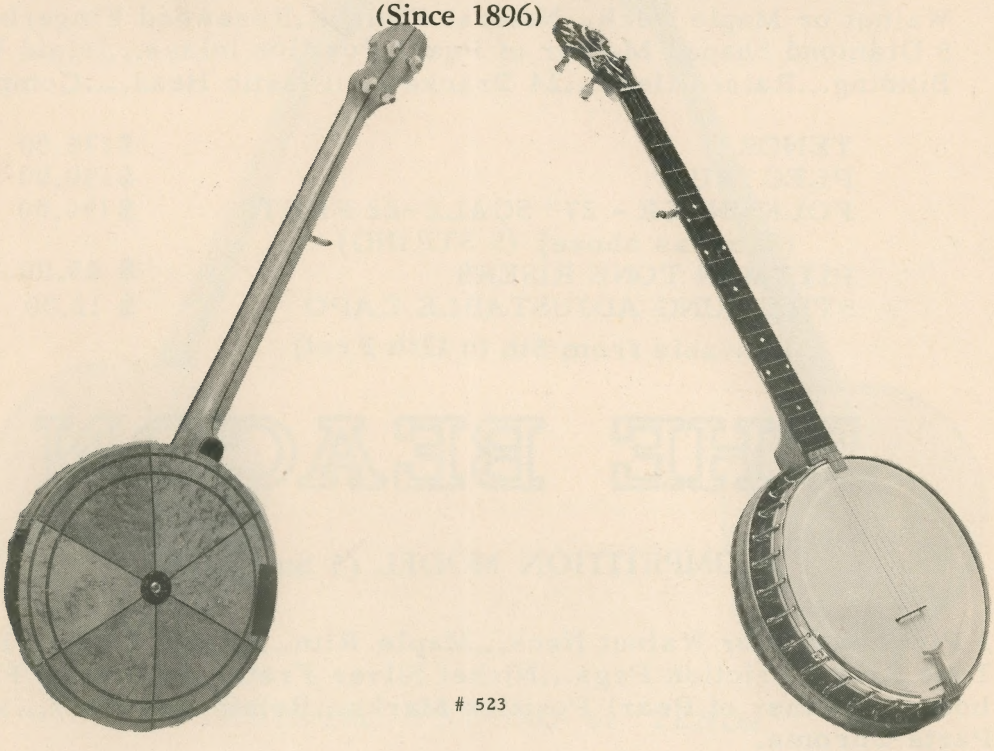
VAN EPS

BANJOS OF EXCELLENCE

(Since 1896)



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PLECTRUM - $500.00 5 STRING - $500.00 TENOR - $450.00

ALL VAN EPS "FLUSH FRET" BANJOS CARRY THE FOLLOWING ITEMS OF CONSTRUCTION.

ELABORATELY INLAID MOTHER OF PEARL PEG HEAD, INLAID EBONY FINGER BOARD, 7 PLY MAPLE RIM, INLAID INSIDE AND OUTSIDE WITH WOOD BINDING AND UPPER PORTION BOUND WITH METAL. PEDESTAL SUPPORTED TONE-RING, CURLY OR BIRDS EYE MAPLE NECK, (SEASONED OVER 15 YEARS), GEARED OR VAN EPS FRICTION PEGS.

VENUS MODELS

TENOR PLECTRUM

PLECTRUM	27" SCALE	22 FRETS
TENOR	23" SCALE	19 FRETS

Walnut or Maple Neck...Natural Finish...Rosewood Fingerboard 5 Diamond Shaped Mother of Pearl Position Inlays...Inlaid Wood Binding...Raised Head...24 Brackets...Plastic Head....Complete.

TENOR	$175.00
PLECTRUM	$190.00
FOLKSINGER - 27" SCALE-22 FRETS (Same as above) (5 STRING)	$190.00
PITTMAN TONE RISERS	$ 45.00
5TH STRING ADJUSTABLE CAPO (Movable from 5th to 12th Fret)	$ 12.00

THE BEACON

COMPETITION MODEL (5 String Only)

3 Piece Maple or Walnut Neck...Maple Rim...Nickel Plated Brass Tone Ring...Friction Pegs...Nickel Silver Frets...Rosewood Fingerboard...Mother of Pearl Position Marks...Reinforced Neck...Metal Parts Chrome.

THE BEACON	$137.50
RESONATOR (Extra)	$ 40.00

(The Finest Toned Banjo for the Money)

GARIEPY BANJO
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LONG BEACH 5, CALIFORNIA

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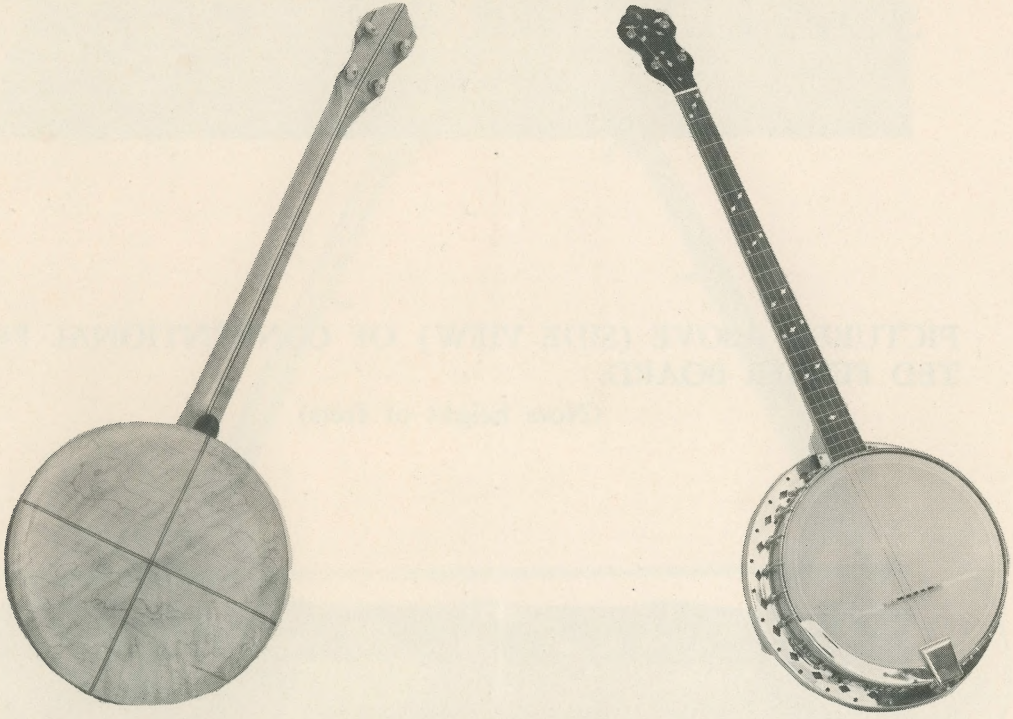
MERCURY BANJOS

UNMATCHED SUPERB TONE

"THE HAPPY SOUND"



PLECTRUM, 5 STRING or TENOR

Reinforced 3 Piece Maple Neck...9 Piece Engraved Mother of Pearl Inlaid Position Marks...Ebony Fingerboard...7 Ply Maple Rim...All Brass Parts Chrome Plated...Includes 24 Brackets....Head Rim Arm Rest....Resonator....Tail Piece. Geared Tuning Pegs...Exclusive Bell-Tone Ring....Plastic Head.... Neck, Resonator and Rim Bound With Ebony and Maple Inlaid Diamond Shaped Bands.

5 STRING	$375.00
PLECTRUM	$375.00
TENOR	$350.00

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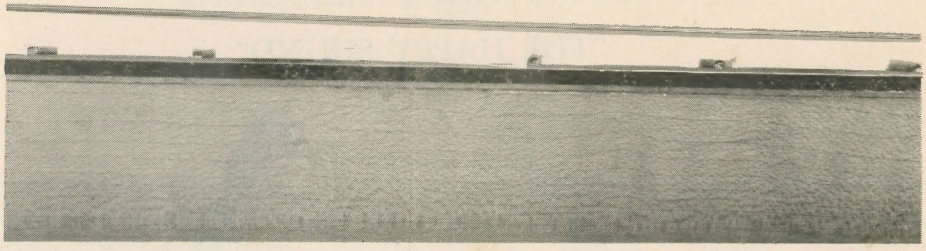
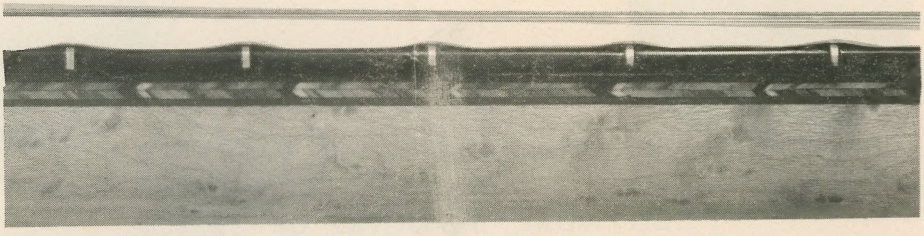
THE VAN EPS BANJO HAS THE QUALITIES THE DISCRIMINATING PLAYER DEMANDS.



PICTURED ABOVE (SIDE VIEW) OF CONVENTIONAL FRETTED FINGER BOARD.

(Note height of frets)



SIDE VIEW OF VAN EPS "FLUSH FRET" FINGER BOARD

(Note how ebony finger board is beveled to meet fret lip, no friction, easiest action and most responsive of all fingerboards)

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FOR THE PROFESSIONAL PLAYER

Do you play professionally? Whether you do or not, you will be interested in the Van Eps "Flush Fret" Banjo.

The Van Eps Banjo has the qualities the discriminating player demands. Distinctively smart appearance and resonant banjo tone.

The fingerboard is the easiest action of any banjo ever made. With patented and copyrighted fingerboard you are able to get "around" faster than ever before. Your slides are smoother, almost fluidlike. Chord changes are accomplished with a minimum of effort. No "hanging up" on the frets. For the five stringer, "hammering on" and "pulling off" is accomplished with true tone. The need to press down hard is virtually eliminated. And the tones are true and resonant up to and including the 23 fret. The true test of a good banjo. Made in the tradition of the craftsman of yesteryear. Every banjo is custom built and all parts are made in our shop with the exception of the head and strings.

This is the same banjo as used by the world famous Fred Van Eps, who made more banjo recordings than any other person. His recordings are collector's items today, as are his "Flush Fret" Banjos. Only 24 of these masterpieces were made and are considered the "Strad" of the banjo world. For the first time in fifteen years we are offering to the general public new "Flush Fret" Van Eps Banjos built on the same jigs and fixtures as the originals.

BANJO PARTS NEVER BEFORE OFFERED BY ANY MANUFACTURER

MAKE YOUR OWN BANJO THIS EASY WAY. ORDER NOW ! ! !

Banjo playing has increased to new heights of popularity. You can have a BANJO similar to those now being used by the top folk, blue grass, tenor, and plectrum stars.

Get in on the FUN of playing your OWN BANJO in groups or for your own enjoyment. It's easy and inexpensive to buy and assemble your OWN BANJO this easy way.

You need not order all parts at once. Order as your budget dictates. Order a part or parts once a week or once a month. Soon you will be the proud possessor of a banjo worth many hundreds of dollars. And built by YOU. Buy at your leisure and save the middleman's cost, assembly cost and interest cost where you must buy on the time payment plan.

Look over our parts list. Everything is included for the assembly of a beautiful banjo similar to our Mercury models. Select the parts that you wish to start with and begin now.

Don't delay. Fill out an order and mail it today!

Prices include postage anywhere in the U.S. on orders of $3.00 or more. Add 50¢ for postage on orders of less than $3.00. Send check, money order or bank draft with order. No C.O.D.'s.

California customers add 4% retail sales tax.

BANJO PARTS AND ACCESSORIES

PLASTIC HEADS. For all banjos. Specify make and size. Supplied in 1/16" graduations from 10½" to 12". Inside diameter of head.		$ 8.00
CALFSKIN HEADS. Standard quality white calfskin. Unmounted		
#414-14 for 11"		4.00
#41-15 " 12"		4.75
#1414M " 11" Mounted		5.00
ROGERS 3 *** STAR. Highest quality, unmounted banjo heads.		
#515-14 for 11"		16.50
#515-15 " 12"		17.50
ROGERS, MOUNTED BANJO HEADS		
#114 First quality 11"		13.00
#1514 Rogers *** 3 Star. For 112 head.		19.00
FLESH HOOPS. For tucking unmounted heads. 10", 11", 12" square. 3/16" brass		.90
TENSION HOOPS. For 11" head. L grooved 1/8" by 1/2" brass, nickel plated.		7.50
De-Luxe tension hoop. Top edge indexed for 24 brackets. Nickel or Chrome plated 3/16" by 1/2" brass. Cannot be used with flat hook.		15.00
Ultra-De-Luxe, same as above but fancy scarfed edge as shown in illustration of Van Eps Banjo. Cannot be used with flat hook.		20.00
BRIDGES. 4 or 5 string "non-tip" 1/2", 5/8" high	each	.60
Imported German bridges, 4 or 5 string. Inlaid at string slots with mother of pearl and ebony. Used by many professionals.	each	1.25
VAN EPS BRIDGE. 4 or 5 string. 2 leg rosewood. No other bridge clarifies the tone such as these masterpieces.	each	1.00
MUTES. Elton tone modulator or mute. Produces a sweet mellow tone where the banjoist whshes to practice without disturbance.		1.00
Bracket Assemblies.		
Hook and Nut, flat type.	each	.40
	dozen	4.50
Hexagon shoe lug.	each	.15
" nut		.15
	dozen	1.75
Van Eps Hook and Nut, new bent shape.		.50
	dozen	5.50
Van Eps Shoe lug.		.30
	dozen	3.30
Van Eps deluxe hexagon shaped nut.		.25
	dozen	2.80
Fret Wire Strip 36" Medium weight Silver Nickel		1.25
Fret Wire Strip 36" Heavy weight Silver Nickel		1.25
Ivory bone nuts 2½" x 3/8"		1.00

BANJO PARTS AND ACCESSORIES (Continued)

Geared pegs, set of 4 #6	Set	$ 15.00
Geared pegs, set of 4 #7 Gold Plated.	Set	20.00
Tone Risers - For 5 string banjo only.	Set of 2	45.00
Patent pegs, set of 4 tenor or plectrum.		2.80
Patent pegs, set of 5 (5 string banjo).		4.00
Patent pegs, 5th string peg.		1.20
5th String Capo D'astro. Can be installed on any 5 string banjo, to be used in conjunction with neck capo for key changes.		12.00
Arm Rests - Mercury - Includes nuts and bolts.		3.00
Arm Rests - Elton - Adjustable.		3.00
Tone Rings. 5/16 nickel plated brass rod for 11" head or will make to size.		5.00
Tone Ring same as used on Mercury and Venus models. Flat nickel plated ring with four brackets and screws for installation to inner wall of shell, raising head approximately 1/8" above shell.		5.00

Necks. Specify whether maple, mahogany or walnut. Laminated three piece seasoned kiln dried. Straight plain peg head for installation of tone risers or designing own contour. Fancy peg head for tenor or plectrum and five string extended neck.

Tenor	Unfinished	30.00
Plectrum		32.00
5 string		36.00
5 string extended neck		40.00

Includes fingerboard of rosewood, fretted, no position dots. Specify scale in inches. (From nut to bridge.)
Fret Boards, rosewood, silver nickel frets. 5 mother of pearl position dots.

Tenor	19 frets	8.00
Plectrum	22 frets	10.00
5 string	22 frets	10.00
5 string extended neck	25 frets	12.00

Add $2.50 for ebony fingerboard for all styles.

Strings by D'Angelica. Any banjo.	Set	1.25
Strings by Black Diamond.	Set	1.25
Tailpiece - Frâmus Adj. - Tenor, plectrum 5 string.		13.00
Tailpiece - Elton		1.50
Tailpiece - Van Eps		5.00
Russell Capo.		.75
Resonators, 13½". Fits most banjos complete with center screw for fitting to dowel stick. Specify maple, mahogany or walnut.		40.00